MR. T. P. RAMA SUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Government will consider it.

Admission of Travancorean students to the Engineering College, Madras.

346. **MR. K. C. KARUNAKARAN** (*Nominated*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the correspondence, if any, they have with the Government of Madras in regard to the payment of contribution to the Engineering College, Madras, in consideration of the training given to Travancorean students in that College?

(2) Will they be pleased to state:

(*a*) what was the opinion of the then Chief Engineer on the above subject; and

(*b*) the final reply given by the Travancore Government to the Government of Madras, on the subject of admission of Travancorean students into the Engineering College, Madras and of payment of the contribution?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) The Government do not propose to publish the correspondence.

(2) (*a*) The Chief Engineer recommended that negotiations might be conducted with the Madras Government for the reservation of 4 or 5 seats in the Engineering Class and an equal number in the Upper Subordinate Class in the Engineering College, offering to pay an annual contribution to the Madras Government, if necessary, towards the expenses of the working of the College.

(*b*) The Madras Government intimated their inability to reserve seats under any conditions, and this Government could only write back to say that Government hoped that the claims of Travancorean students for admission to the College would receive generous consideration at the hands of the Madras Government.

Travancoreans and the Engineering College, Madras.

347. **MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR** (*Ambalapuzha*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have done anything to secure admission for deserving Travancorean students into any Engineering College anywhere?

(2) Will they be pleased to lay on the table the correspondence, if there be any, with the Madras Government as regards any contribution to be paid to that Government on behalf of the Engineering College, Madras?

(3) Will they be pleased to state the recommendations of the Chief Engineer in the matter?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) Yes; negotiations were conducted with the Madras Government, without success, for the reservation of four seats in the Engineering Class and four seats in the Upper Subordinate Class of the Engineering College, Madras, for Travancorean students. Thereupon, the Government have

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